Distance Education
How to Earn Your Credential
Effective January 1, 2020

Graduate Gemologist® (GG®) Diploma
Earned when a student has completed all required courses for both the Graduate Diamonds Diploma and Graduate Colored Stones Diploma. It is recommended to complete Graduate Diamonds coursework first.

Graduate Diamonds Diploma
Graduate Colored Stones Diploma

Diamond Essentials
Colored Stone Essentials
Diamond & Diamond Grading
Colored Stones
Diamond Grading Lab
Colored Stone Grading Lab

Gem Identification Lab
Gem Identification
Completion of Colored Stones eLearning course and Gem Identification Lab are required before beginning this course

Applied Jewelry Professional Diploma™ (AJP™)
Graduate Pearls Diploma

Jewelry Essentials
Pearls
Diamond Essentials
Pearl Grading Lab
Colored Stone Essentials
Colored Stones

Learn more about GIA Distance Education programs and courses: GIA.edu/gem-education/distance

Scholarships may be available to those who qualify for eLearning courses, lab classes and on campus programs. Learn more at GIA.edu/scholarships

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Distance Education Overview

Study the same GIA® curriculum as full-time, on-campus students, but with greater flexibility to meet your family and job commitments. Gemological Institute of America® Distance Education is a combination of eLearning courses and hands-on lab classes. It’s a comprehensive gemology education that will expand your professional knowledge and can help advance your career.

- **eLearning courses** bring GIA’s expertise to life through text, graphics, images and videos, so you can study online whenever and wherever you want. Internet access required.
- **Lab classes** offered at GIA schools worldwide include hands-on use of gemological equipment and gemstones.

**Distance Education Program Requirements**

GIA Distance Education Programs, with the exception of the GIA Applied Jewelry Professional Program, require a combination of eLearning courses and lab classes. View program requirements in the chart below. Lab classes are available at most GIA campuses and locations; costs may vary.

To view pricing and schedule by location, visit GIA.edu/gem-education/campuses

**2020 Tuition eLearning Courses**

GIA eLearning courses are offered through GIA in Carlsbad. Learn more at GIA.edu/gem-education/distance

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<th>eLearning Course</th>
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*Payment plans available

**GIA Student Workrooms**

GIA Student Workrooms give you affordable access to all the equipment and gemstones you need to complete the practical requirements of your eLearning Gem Identification course. This self-study room is also available if you need to prepare for your 20-stone final exam, take a proctored exam, or practice on equipment and gemstones. Student Workrooms are offered at many GIA locations worldwide. Learn more at GIA.edu/student-workroom

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